

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-5 (cancelled)

1           Claim 6 (Currently amended): A method for exchanging  
2       a metal mold of a punch press having an upper turret with  
3       a plurality of upper metal molds and a lower turret with a  
4       plurality of lower metal molds, comprising the steps of:  
5           rotationally positioning the lower turrets to place a  
6       lower metal mold at an exchanging position;  
7           rotationally positioning the upper turret to place a  
8       notch of the upper turret ~~above~~ the lower metal mold;  
9           removing the lower metal mold from the lower turret  
10      upward through the notch of the upper turret; and  
11           inserting a required lower metal mold through the  
12      notch of the upper turret into the lower turret.

Claims 7-8 (cancelled)